

NORTH BRANCH

July 2019 - September 2019

THURSDAY, JULY 18

Nobody Don't Love Nobody: Lessons on Love from the School with no Name
by Stacey Bess

The children whose stories are told in *Nobody Don't Love Nobody* share one thing in common: they all live with their families in a homeless shelter's family dormitory, where they can stay for up to three months. And most of them attend classes at the School With No Name, a public school classroom at the shelter, where Stacey Bess is their teacher.

Their stories do much to humanize the face of homelessness today and emphasize that the homeless are not simply a population of aimless or alcoholic, single men. But mostly these stories show how love and respect can change and empower a life. When the children are befriended by their teacher, their peers, an NBA all-star, and other members of the community who take the time to reach out, the children respond in kind with remarkable offerings of their own.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 15

Al Capone Does My Shirts
by Gennifer Choldenko

When Moose's family moves to Alcatraz Island so his father can work as a guard and his sister can attend a special school in San Francisco, he has to leave his friends behind. But it's worth it, right? If his sister, Natalie, can get help, maybe his family will finally be normal.

But on Alcatraz his dad is so busy, he's never around. His mom's preoccupation with Natalie's condition (today, it would be called autism) is even worse now that there's no extended family to help. And of course, there's never enough money.

When Moose meets Piper, the cute daughter of the warden, he knows right off she's trouble. But she's also strangely irresistible. All Moose wants to do is protect Natalie, live up to his parents' expectations and stay out of trouble. But on Alcatraz, trouble is never very far away.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

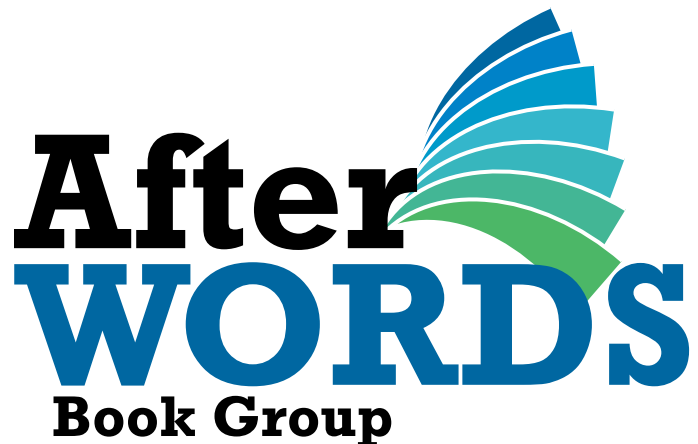
The Art of Racing in the Rain
by Garth Stein

Enzo knows he is different from other dogs: a philosopher with a nearly human soul (and an obsession with opposable thumbs), he has educated himself by watching television extensively, and by listening very closely to the words of his master, Denny Swift, an up-and-coming race car driver.

Through Denny, Enzo has gained tremendous insight into the human condition, and he sees that life, like racing, isn't simply about going fast. Using the techniques needed on the race track, one can successfully navigate all of life's ordeals.

On the eve of his death, Enzo takes stock of his life, recalling all that he and his family have been through: the sacrifices Denny has made to succeed professionally; the unexpected loss of Eve, Denny's wife; the three-year battle over their daughter, Zoë, whose maternal grandparents pulled every string to gain custody. In the end, despite what he sees as his own limitations, Enzo comes through heroically to preserve the Swift family, holding in his heart the dream that Denny will become a racing champion with Zoë at his side. Having learned what it takes to be a compassionate and successful person, the wise canine can barely wait until his next lifetime, when he is sure he will return as a man.

Talk to a reference librarian about obtaining a copy of the book for the month.



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3rd Thursday
7:00pm

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801-451-1840

Upstairs in the Young Adult Area

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to permit time for arrangements to be made.

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